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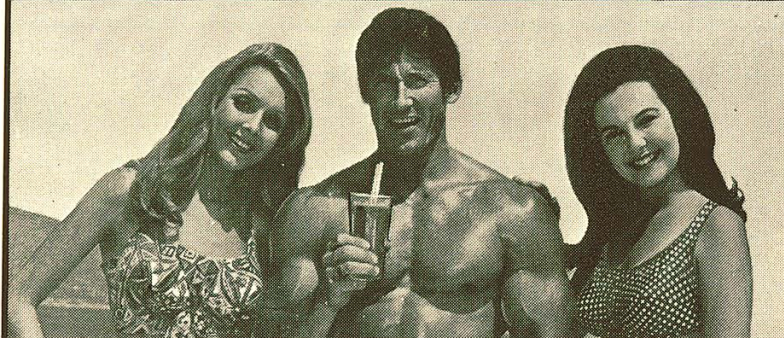
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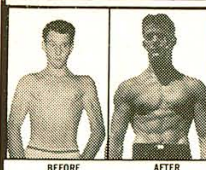
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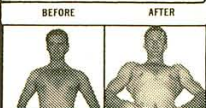
GAINS OF UP TO A-POUND-A-DAY PROVEN BY THOUSANDS

IT'S DELICIOUS! IT'S WILD! The new taste-sensation "CRASH-WEIGHT GAINING PLAN" developed by Joe Weider, "Trainer of Champions", "Architect of Beauty" helps you drink on pounds... UP TO A POUND A DAY easily and enjoyably while you rest... relax... watch TV... sleep. Men, women and children... see measurable gains instantly and say goodbye to your skinny, undesirable string-bean body... NOW!



HERE'S LIVING PROOF IT WORKS— FAST

Used with amazing results by tens of thousands of men, women and children for more than 7 years! Now, you too can take this guaranteed way to build up your caloric intake for fast and substantial weight gains!



IT'S NEW!
IT'S HERE!

JOIN THE WEIGHT GAINABLES! DRINK ON POUNDS-FAST! SAFELY!

GAINS 18 LBS. IN 14 DAYS!

The "before" photo shows how Larry Chmiel looked without the added weight he needed so badly. The "after" photo shows Larry 14 days after he started the Crash-Weight Plan and gained 18 pounds. He writes: "What more could a guy ask for? All I did was add 4 glasses of Crash Weight Formula $\approx$ 7 to my regular meals, follow Joe Weider's Plan and I gained a tremendous 18 pounds in two weeks!"

SHOULDN'T THIS HAPPEN TO YOU?

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James Parker of Ft. Worth, Texas, writes: "It's Fantastic—I went from 158 to 172 pounds in 14 days. Gained 14 pounds in 14 days and added 2 inches to my chest. I'm more than satisfied!"

SHOULDN'T THIS HAPPEN TO YOU?

DO-IT-YOUR-SELF GAIN-A- POUND- A-DAY KIT!



This is a 1-day supply of Crash-Weight, check full of weight-gaining nutrients that can smash the weight-gaining barrier! You want to gain a pound a day? Half a pound a day? Maybe you just want to add a few pounds here and there? You want it easily... enjoyably... without stuffing yourself and counting calories?

NOW YOU CAN

It's simply wild...AND IT WORKS!

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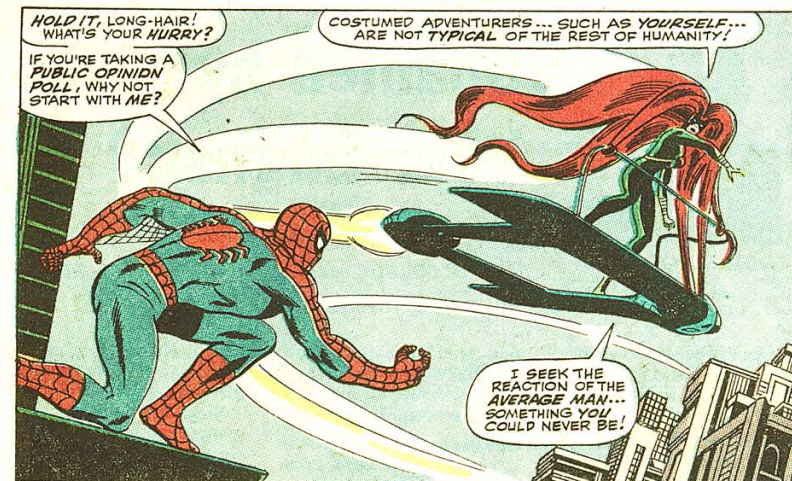
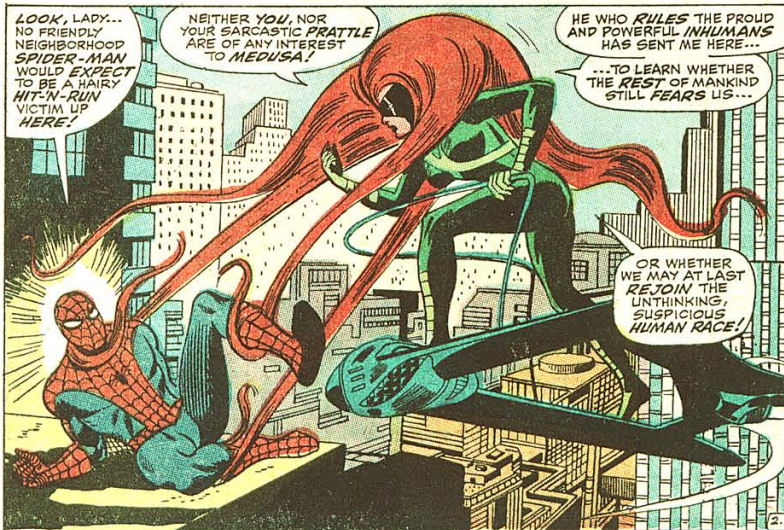
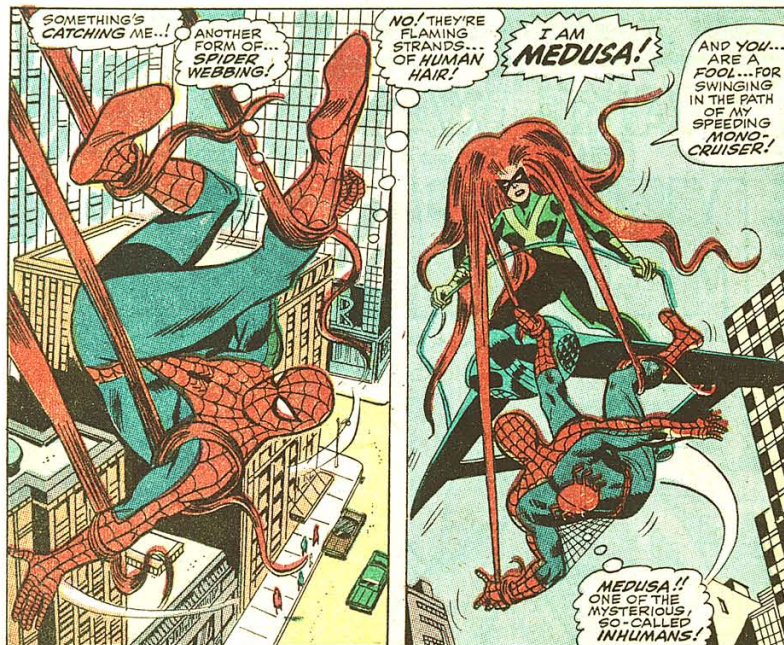
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and ROMITA

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ACTION
IS...

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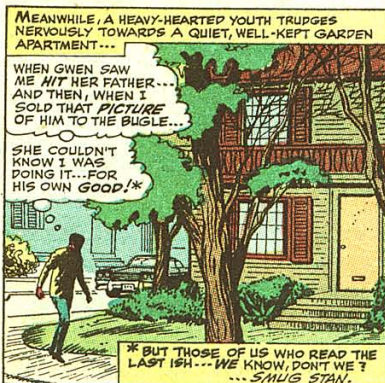
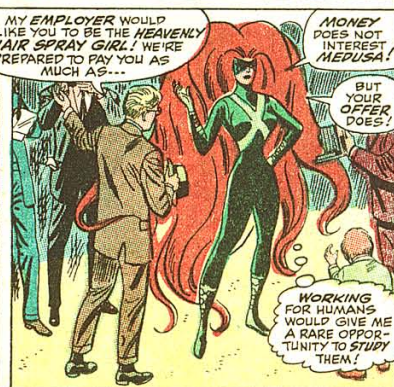
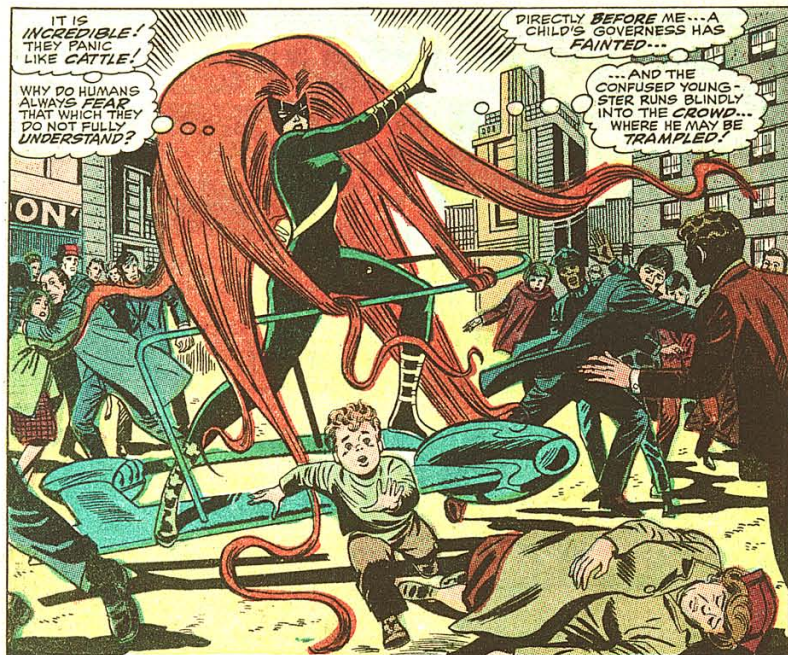
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Answer: I will gladly mail a free 32-page booklet to you. Just send a postcard or fill out and mail the coupon.

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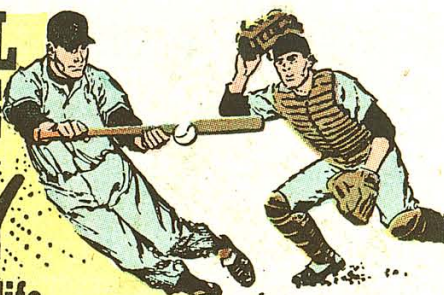
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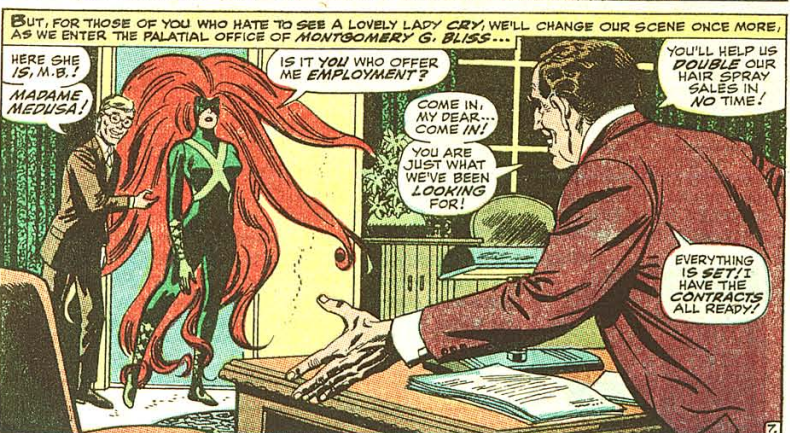
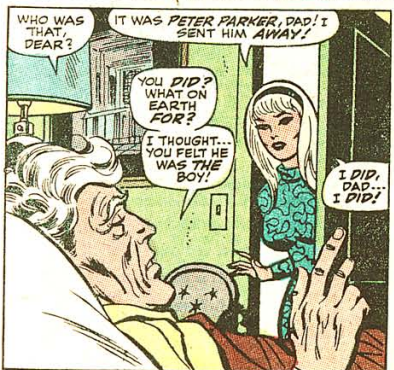
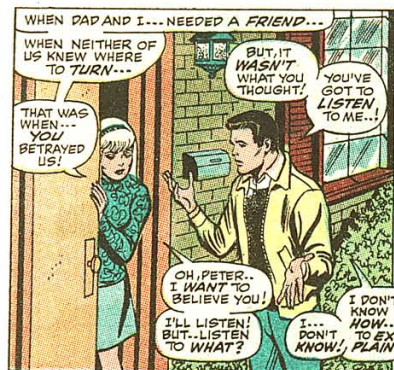
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I TELL YOU, OSBORN, THE WORKING MAN ISN'T WORTH A ROW OF BEANS TODAY!

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WHY DON'T YOU GIVE YOUR LARYNX A REST, JONAH?

I'VE GOT TROUBLES OF MY OWN, RIGHT NOW!

WELL, MAKE IT SOMEWHERE ELSE!





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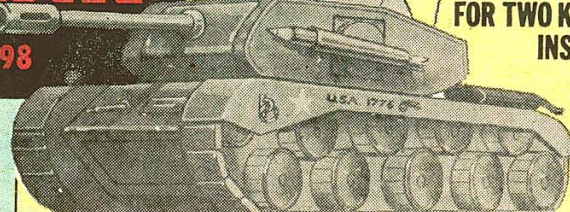
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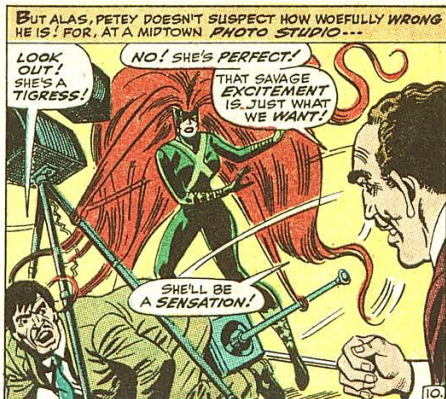
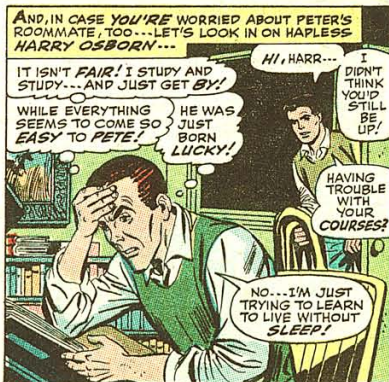
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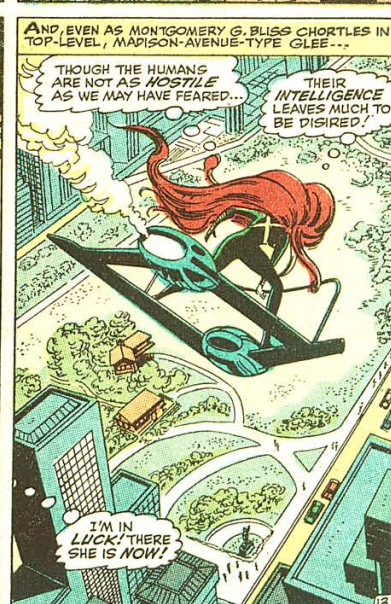
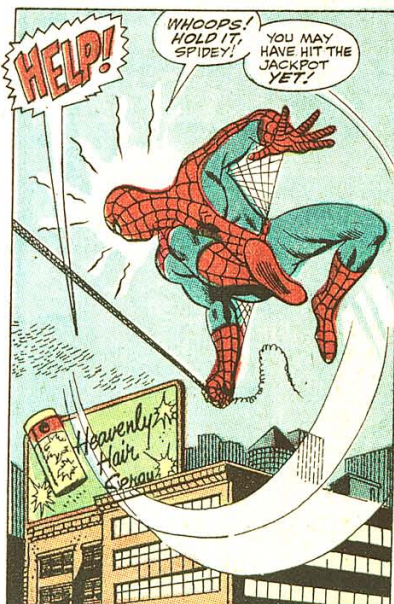
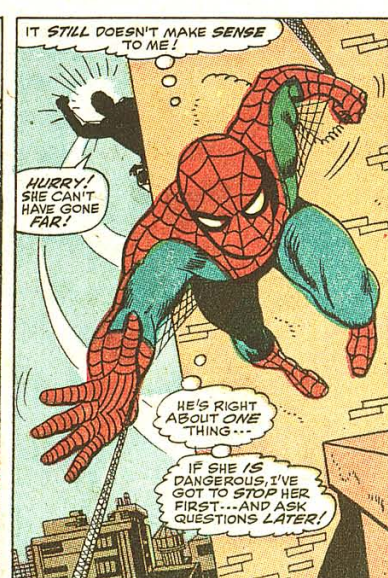
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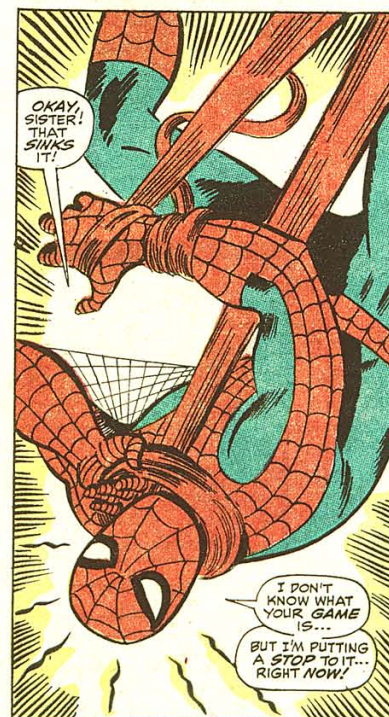
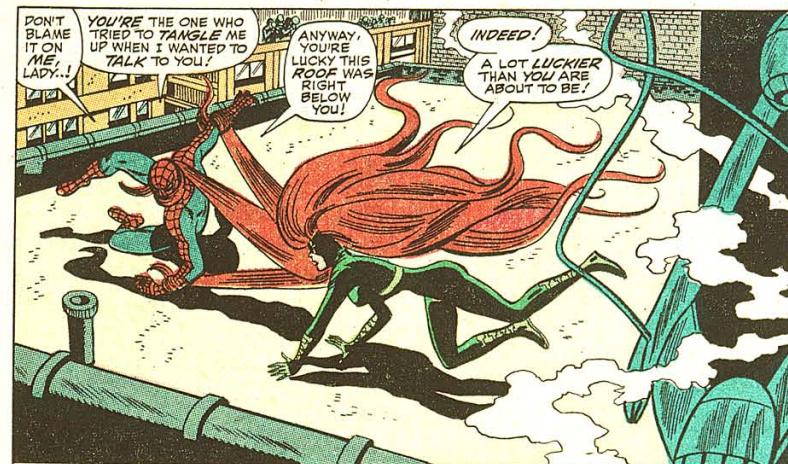
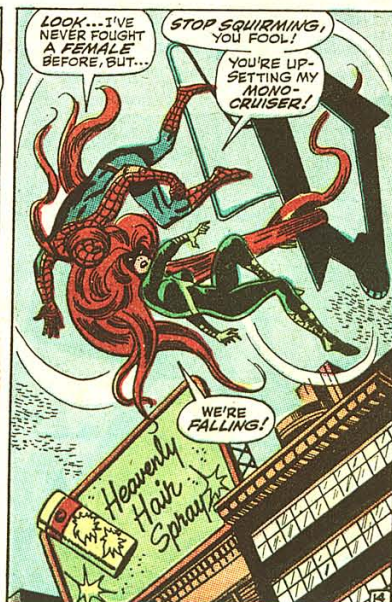
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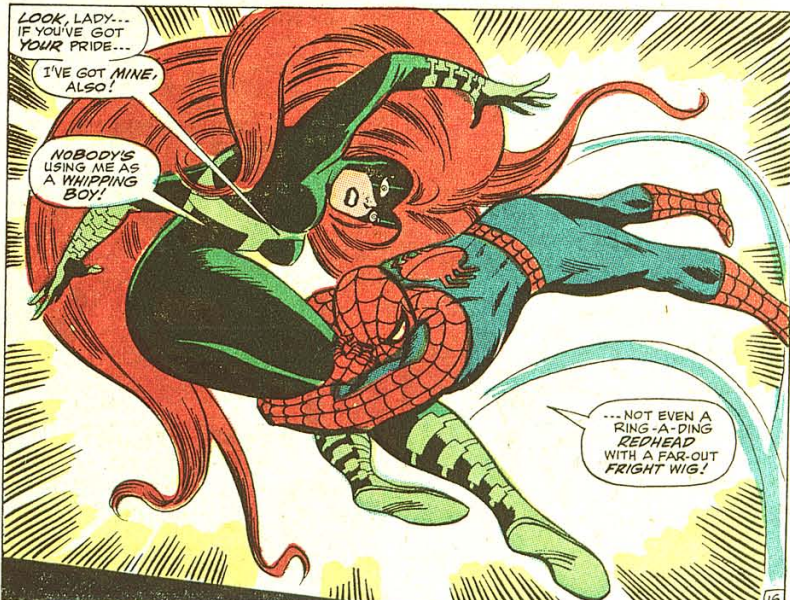
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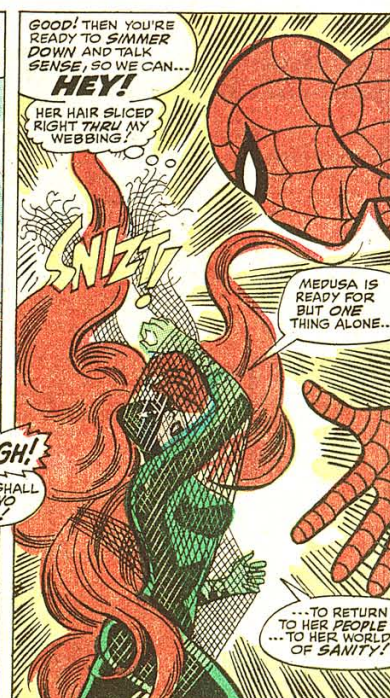


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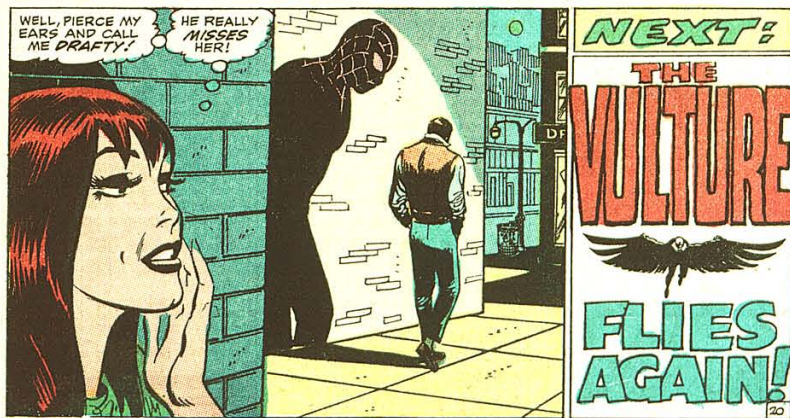
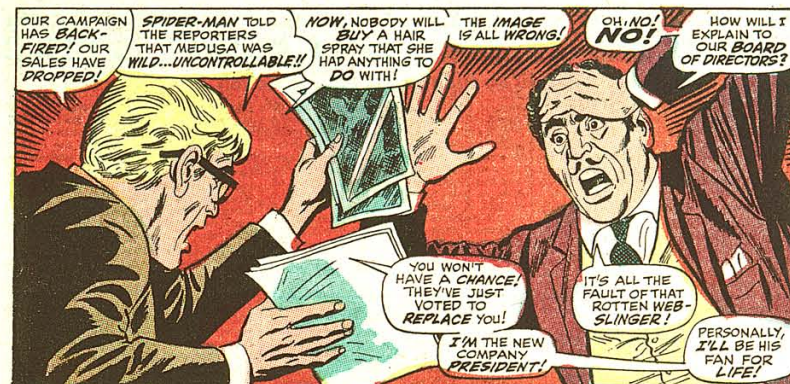
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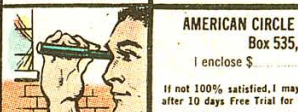
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Dear Stan and John,

Just a quick comment on SPIDEY #59 — great! And a question, if you don't mind. With all the groovy goodies you've introduced over the past couple of years, it's surprising to me that you haven't come out with what would have to be one of the most sought-after items of all time — some Bullpen photos! No True Believer would dare be without them — that is, if he could get them in the first place! Honest Irv would probably even rob his piggy bank just to get his greedy fingers on some pictures of you mad-men. So, what do you say, gang? It's your big chance to do a real favor for Marveldom Assembled — and help me fill my scrapbook!

Jimmy Goodkind, Richards Lane
Hewlett, L. I., N. Y.

You must be a mindreader, Jimmy boy, 'cause we've got just what you're after! You'll find a coupon on one of the mail order pages in this very ish for a pulsatin' photo of Smiley himself! Then, if that's not enough to turn you off, there'll be even more to follow! So, don't say we didn't warn you, wondrous one!



Dear Stan and John,

I've put up with all the slanders to Mr. Romita ever since he took over the artistic chores of Spider-Man way back in issue #39, but frankly, I've had it! John Romita makes Spidey's previous artist appear as never having been able to draw. Not only does John draw gorgeous femmes and handsome guys, he makes a fight scene come alive. It should also be mentioned that background was never accentuated until his arrival at the helm. I've noticed that the content of SPIDER-MAN has vastly improved since Jazzy Johnny began drawing the strip. I'm no grammar doctorate, but it appears that vocabulary and structure have reached the heights of FF, as well as plot development. So, let's have three cheers and a bundle of no-prizes for Jazzy John Romita, truly an artist of comic art!

Alan Meerow, 3195 Decatur Ave.
Bronx, N. Y. 10467

You talked us into it. All We couldn't agree more that Spidey has risen to progressively greater heights from month to month under the pulsating pen of ol' Ring-A-Ding Romital But, please — try not to lay it on too thick! If you do, one of these days he's gonna get his fill of cheers and start demanding that we pay him!

Dear Stan and John,

In your latest issue the Spider's Web was more interesting than the story itself. At last — over a page of good, interesting letters! Although the issue is building up to possibilities of good future installments, this ish wasn't up to par for SPIDER-MAN. I like the way the ish was "produced" by Stan and Johnny, but the art was pencilled by Don Heck. 'Twould seem that, perhaps, John will be taken off Spidey, and that you're just easing him out. Anyway, how come almost all the letters end with "Till blankety-blank-blank, I'll be your fan" or one of the Marvel catch phrases, such as "hang loose" or something equally as bad. I'm sure many of your readers do not like these phrases — perhaps a poll is in order. Robert Gluckson, 10347 Monte Mar Dr.
Los Angeles, Cal.

Not really, Bobby, baby! You see, we've already decided that perhaps we've been hanging a bit too loose where our littin' letters pages are concerned — so, henceforth, we're gonna try playing things a little straighter with our agonizing answers — and see what you think of it! Now, as for Jazzy Johnny giving up Spidey, all we can say is there's about as much chance of that as there is of the Strawberry Alarm Clock doing an album of Bach! Right now, he's doing layouts for both the monthly mag and the 35¢ SPIDEY SPECTACULAR! Dashin' Donnie finishes the pencils for the regular mag — and Jim Mooney does the same on the SPECTACULAR! And, now that all that's been cleared up, all we have left to say is... Pheew! Thank heavens the coffee wagon is on the way!

Dear Stan and John,

Okay, already! Here we have a poor superhero, Spider-Man by name, who has lasted 58 issues of fighting a losing battle against the people of New York, yet managing to come out on top nine-tenths of the time. One question: how does he do it? Oh, I know that the imagination of Stan is infinite (as has been proven many, many times), but still, it seems ridiculous for this guy to keep plugging away at something he can never win. You've heard this a hundred times before, but give the guy a break! Now Pete has the best opportunity he's had in years to make something out of his social life, but as soon as I finished this ish's story and turned to the letters page, I read the following: "Next — in which Spidey vindicates himself... but LOSES THE GIRL HE LOVES!" Boy, what I mean, you really sock it to him! Anybody with half a mind would turn in his costume at the neighborhood Salvation Army and give up crime-fighting for life. I don't want to sound like the Lonely Hearts Club, but I would like to let you in on a few things, namely — Pete's social life is getting more unreal and unbelievable each ish! It's time for a change, and at long last, I believe, you guys should pull Spidey out of the rut he's been in for so many years and give him just a little bit of status! Special note to Pete: Listen, you idiot — if you don't care too much for Mary Jane, send her down this way, all expenses paid. Buddy, you don't know when you've got a good thing!

Mark Lambert, 11830 Hampstead Ln.
Dallas, Texas 75230

Oh, yes he does, Mark — but we're not about to let him do anything with it! We're all too hung up on M. J. ourselves to let Parker keep her all to himself! As for his social life otherwise, all we can say is to each his own — but we are considering sending in his application for a lifetime membership in Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band!

Dear Stan and John,

When I finished SPIDER-MAN #59 I leapt up shouting *maxima cum laude!* Then I espled the small block on the right side of the last panel. Filled with apprehensions, I flipped to the customary page for a glimpse of things to come and found the worst of my premonitions realized. I must confess that I succumbed to a paroxysm of rage and despair. Once I had emerged from the throes of my tantrum and was again able to control my shaking hands, I took pen in hand and jotted out this plaintive missive. I write without emotion. I will present cold, bare fact. First, nobody always loses. Our wall-crawling wonder first lost Betty Brant, and now Gwen! I can see it now... "I hate you Spider-Man! I hate you!" — with fists and tears and the whole bit. Second, it was an ultimatum to prevent an individual from attaining personal happiness. I'm sure that you, as red-white-and-blue Americans, would want to know this. Third, consider the effect on our harried hero, Peter with me into the thoughts of a worried web-slinger: "She loves me, but she hates me. In fact, everybody I know loves me... and hates me. Except Jolly Jonah, and he hates everybody." Leading a double life filled with the double dilemmas of perpetually winning yet perpetually losing would drive anyone to suicide. Fourth, how about me? I hate born losers, but I love Spidey. It leads to a conflict in my personality. It could set me off my trolley. Would you want to be responsible for the world's loss of a promising young man with a bright future and the poverty caused by my head-shrinker's bill? In spite of this, I still think the mag is great. Therefore, by the beard of the imperial Odin, and the non-existent luck of Irvine Forbush, make a small change for a true believer... (and) a chronic malcontent.
Dove Markus, 207 N. 39th St.
Bellefonte, Ill. 62223

We'll see, Dave — but we won't let you back us out on a limb at this stage of the game! So, while you bite your nails and wait to see how things turn out, why not indulge in a little serious literature to ease the tensions...

...like the latest issue of NOT BRAND ECHH? And we'll hope you don't object to our sneaky little plug!



Dear Stan and John,

I simply had to write to you guys knowing the dilemma you're in. Since Spidey's first issue came out many years ago, you poor guys have been plagued with one big problem — webbing! Fans have sent in numerous letters concerning the artificial webbing that Spidey uses. They ask how come his webbing doesn't stick to him. That's easy! It's common knowledge out here that some types of spiders secrete a fluid that keeps the eight-legged arachnid from getting his eight legs all tangled up. So, as we all know, with Pete's brain, he could easily duplicate this fluid as he

did with his webbing. Then after each washing, he could soak his Spider-Man duds in this fluid. Till J. Jonah Jameson shaves off his moustache, make mine Marvel!

Mike Duffy, Rt. #6, Box 333-T
Sumter, S. C. 29150

After coming up with a scientific solution to a sticky situation like that, we'll make yours even longer, Mike! And just wait! We'll tell Jazzy Johnny he can leave the lab now and get back to the drawing board! Hooo boy!



Dear Stan and John,

I just finished SPIDER-MAN #59. The story was pretty good, and I think Jazzy John did a good job on the artwork. Now to get to the main point of my letter — please, I beg of you, don't let Peter lose Gwen. Poor Spidey's had a hard enough time already. First, he lost Uncle Ben in AMAZING FANTASY #15, then Aunt May always getting sick such as in issue #32, and then losing Betty Brant in issue #34. Please at least let him find some happiness with Gwen.

Don Gemblak, 8584 Avery Rd.
Brickville, Ohio 44141

We wish we could, Don — but the ways of love are really no more predictable than the outcome of a superhero vs supervillain bout! But, don't give up hope yet! Although Gorgeous Gwen isn't exactly the president of Pete-O's fan club at the moment — she's still a woman, which means she just could change her mind! Especially if a certain ravishing redhead starts moving in on Mr. P!

Dear Stan and John,

Issue #58 was fab, groovy, gear, and all that wonderful stuff. I just didn't think that Johnny could draw so well. I just about fainted when I saw page 11, panel 1, not to mention page 15, panel 3. Every panel was suitable for framing. I wish that you could bring back more robots. I am also enjoying the way you are presenting your magazines for this year. For a great surprise I wish you could bring back many of your old villains. Many other heroes are fighting old villains, so why can't Spidey? I enjoyed such tops as Molten Man, the New Vulture, Sandman, Electro, the Enforcer, and the Living Brain. How about it?

Greg Bales, Broad St.
Rural Hall, N. C. 27045

No sooner said than done, Greg, buddy! We've found the best policy has always been to mix up our new brain-blastin' baddies with the oldies-but-goodies from ish to ish — and we're not about to change now! In the months just ahead, you'll be seeing most of your all-time favorites — as well as some of the most far-out fanatical fiends ever to premiere in the pulsating pages of a comic magazine! So, stay with us, pilgrim — the Marvel Age of voracious villains is just starting to blast off!



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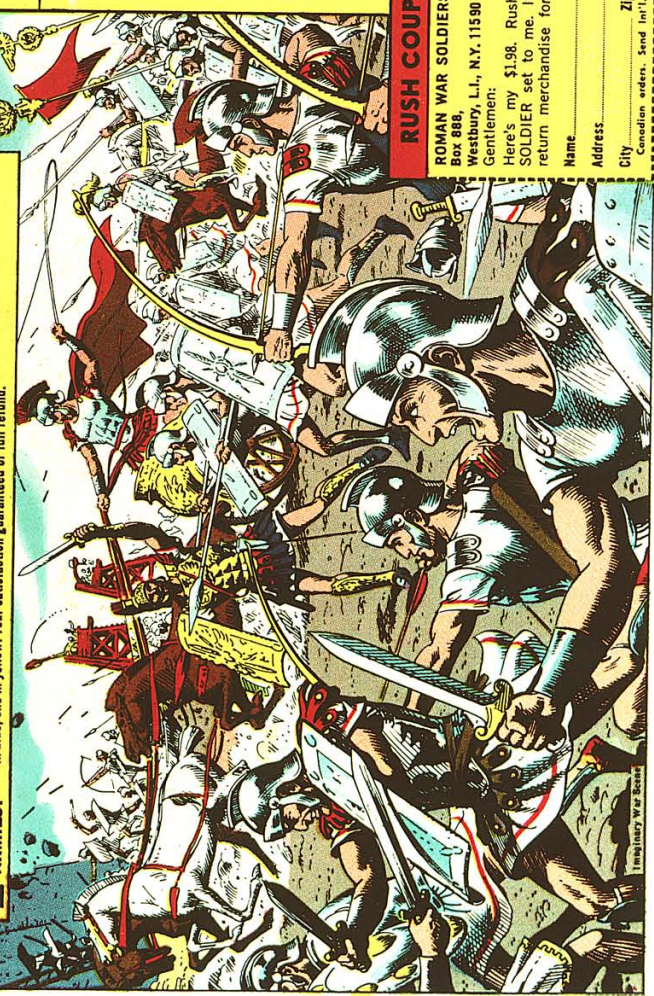
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